HOUSE RESOLUTION 365 By Hood

A RESOLUTION to commend Allyson Brooke Ponder for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Allyson Brooke Ponder is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative John Hood and Executive Assistant Doris O'Neil; Brooke's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ponder is a 2000 graduate of Ezell Harding Christian School, where she was a member of the varsity tennis team and President of Girls L'amite Club and was recognized as Most Wittiest; and

WHEREAS, she is currently a student at Middle Tennessee State University and will graduate in December with a Bachelor's degree in Electronic Media Journalism and a minor in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded by her peers, she has achieved outstanding academic success while participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, she is an active and invaluable member of her community and has been active with such laudable institutions and causes as Habitat for Humanity, MountainTop, MTSU Student Ambassadors, Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority, Up 'Til Dawn for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and the Arthritis Foundation Annual Walk and Fundraiser; and

WHEREAS, a true leader, she has served as Assistant Director and Co-Director of the Aids Quilt Fundraiser, a Lightning Leader, Alternate Panhellenic Delegate and Vice President of Membership Recruitment for her sorority, and Panhellenic Representative for the Inter-Fraternal Council; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Ponder brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2004 legislative session, Ms. Ponder has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ponder has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Allyson Brooke Ponder for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative John Hood and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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